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REMARKS

The examiner has cited as the basis for election requirement that the method of Claim 1 could be performed without a flexible bag having a horizontally extended tubular length. It is proposed that the recitation of the flexible plastic bag of Claim 1 be amended to include the requirement that it have "a horizontally extended tubular length."

Reconsideration is requested.

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